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Report of the Secretary-General

Summary

The present report was mandated by the General Assembly in its resolution 61/231 and contains a list of specialized agencies and international institutions associated with the United Nations to which the provisions of the resolution apply and whose attention the Secretary-General drew to the resolution.

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1. At its sixty-first session, the General Assembly adopted resolution 61/231, concerning the implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations. In paragraph 20 of that resolution, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to continue to assist the specialized agencies and other organizations of the United Nations system in working out appropriate measures for implementing the relevant resolutions of the United Nations and to prepare for submission to the relevant bodies, with the assistance of those agencies and organizations, a report on the action taken in implementation of the relevant resolutions, including General Assembly resolution 61/231, since the publication of his previous report (A/61/62).

2. In a letter dated 22 January 2007, the Secretary-General brought the resolution to the attention of the executive heads of the following specialized agencies and other international organizations and invited them to submit the information requested for inclusion in the report referred to in paragraph 1 above:

International Labour Organization
Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations
United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
International Civil Aviation Organization
World Health Organization
World Bank
International Monetary Fund
Universal Postal Union
International Telecommunication Union
World Meteorological Organization
International Maritime Organization
World Intellectual Property Organization
International Fund for Agricultural Development
United Nations Industrial Development Organization

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Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights/ Centre for Human Rights
United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime
Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean
Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific
United Nations Conference on Trade and Development
United Nations Development Programme
United Nations Environment Programme
Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees
United Nations Children's Fund
World Food Programme
United Nations Institute for Training and Research
International Atomic Energy Agency
World Tourism Organization
World Trade Organization

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African Union
Caribbean Community
Caribbean Development Bank
League of Arab States
Organization of American States
Organization of Eastern Caribbean States
Pacific Islands Forum

3. Summaries of the replies received from the international organizations concerned in response to the above-mentioned letter will be presented in document E/2007/47.

4. Summaries of additional replies received, together with such further information as may become available on relevant activities undertaken by the organizations concerned during the year, will be published in addenda to the report mentioned in paragraph 3.

5. In addition, the Secretary-General drew the attention of various departments and other units of the Secretariat to the resolution. Information received in that regard will also be included in the above-mentioned report.